

Our Musicians.

It becomes both our duty and our pleasure to publicly thank the Quintette Club of Charlottetown. The Concert of last evening was undoubtedly one of the most brilliant ever rendered by them. That such a treat did not fill the hall to overflowing with enraptured listeners, is, to say the least, a remarkable display of lack of appreciation and culture on the part of our populace.

For two hours did "We sit and let the sounds of music creep in our ears." Then, too, we heard the thrilling dulcet tones of some of our fairest singers, and the "basso profundo" of the stalwart ones. Swiftly flashing through our mind passed the great poet's words, "Soft stillness and the night, become the touches of sweet harmony," as we listened to the splendidly-rendered song "Oft in the stilly night." How charmingly delicate was the orchestral accompaniment to this effective song!—displaying, as it did, to such advantage, the artistic power of the Club. Mrs. Strickland's "I love to sing," evidently expressed her true feeling, for she surpassed herself in its performance.

What shall we say of those violin duets? The first, the "Russian National Anthem," the sweetness of which almost moved to tears. With true religious feeling the performers threw their whole spiritual power into their instruments. Here was displayed the finely-rooted training of the E. or Choir Lad, and here, too, the religious impression attained only by those who are familiar with the European temples of art. Next came the "Corsican Brothers," fully as effective as the anthem. Both Messrs. Vinnicombe and Montgomery are to be congratulated on their marked success; the solo of the latter gentleman was fairly spoken on the instrument. Herr Hermans sustained the musical reputation of his Fatherland, and the Professor proved himself to be "every inch a singer."

Last, though not least by any means, comes the Musical Director, Mr. Earle; the splendid ability displayed by him in his accompaniments showed no lack of both technical and artistic skill, he is our musician par excellence, and as such, deserves the generous support and co-operation of the town.

Now, having noticed last evening's treat, we humbly submit a few remarks to the "Club." Their watchword should be FORWARD. They have made their mark, and now they have in their hands a great and noble educational power. The art of music is something more than a vehicle for the mere sense of the beautiful, or an exquisite provocation to stifle the sense of a selfish, indulgent pleasure; yes, it is to serve as the incarnation of the TRUE and the GOOD, "And weave for God the garment thou seest him by." It speaks to man the most spiritual language of any of the art family, its forms and performance must be measured by the earnestness and success with which they teach and suggest what is best in aspiration and trust in thought. This requires earnest study on the part of the performers, a thorough knowledge of the spirit of the piece; a realization of that knowledge, and an intelligence to impart it to the instrument. Then, the purest forms of music become to the listener something more than a sensuous enjoyment; they become the handmaid and minister of the religious instinct. The Club, then, must seek to emancipate us from the thrall of merely trivial and commonplace music, and uplift on pedestals for our reverence and respect, the so long-dishonored Masters of the art; for music is now performed, studied, and listened to by a much larger number of persons, and in a more serious spirit, than was the case at any previous period; it is also rapidly becoming an essential branch of education.

The Club must not think that what we are asking is difficult to cultivate, for we are not demanding from them an acquaintance with the scientific basis of the art. The number of vibrations by which a tone is produced is, perhaps, a matter of total indifference to those who can string such tones together into a melody, or play them on any instrument. We may broadly state that the discoveries of Helmholtz, Tyndall and other scientific men, though excellent and valuable, have never been of the slightest service to practical musicians. The story has been told of that scientific man who wrote his crack piece of music on strictly mathematical principles. It was a model of form, and everything that could be desired from a scientific view; but, alas, for poor science, the piece was extraordinarily dull and lifeless. While on the other side, we have no evidence that Bach, Mozart or Handel understood anything whatever of the physical laws of their art. There is a science of acoustics, and an ART OF MUSIC. What we plead for is the cultivation of the art.

The exploration of the interior of Greenland has been steadily encouraged by the Government of Denmark, since 1875, a small appropriation being voted therefor every year. The entire surface is thought to be covered with ice, with the possible exception of the mountain ridge which forms the watershed. A calculation by Dr. H. Rink, shows that the ice masses which collect in the form of glaciers at the head of the fjords, and there throw off ice bergs into the sea, probably occupy a period of one hundred years in moving from the central ridge to the coast. There is one fjord from which a body of ice nine hundred feet thick, two miles wide and two miles long is annually pushed into the ocean. The highest elevation yet reached in the interior is five thousand feet, and the rise from the sea board is very gradual.

The Charlottetown Hospital.

A meeting of the medical staff of the Charlottetown Hospital was held in the dispensary of the Institution, on Saturday, the 31st ultimo. His Lordship, who was present by request, presided at the meeting. A statement in detail of the accounts of the Institution up to Jan. 1st, 1880, was then submitted to the inspection of the staff.

With the exception of the sum of \$150, which the Superiress of the Hospital, obtained through the Treasurer of the Ladies Committee, and of this amount \$99 still on hand, all the expenses of the Hospital, up to Jan. 1st, 1880, have been paid by the Bishop of Charlottetown.

The following resolution was then proposed and unanimously adopted: Resolved, That the Medical Staff of the Charlottetown Hospital adopt, with great satisfaction, the report of receipts and expenditures of the Institution submitted by his Lordship the Bishop of Charlottetown.

P. CONROY, M. D., Secretary.

Horrible Murder and Outrage.

THE WIFE OF A P. E. ISLANDER MURDERED AND OUTRAGED AT GROTON, MASS.

STEARNS K. ABBOTT, of Groton, Mass., was arrested at Weare, N. H., on Thursday last, charged with the outrage and murder of Mrs. Maria L. Crue, wife of Mr. Joseph Crue (formerly of Prince Edward Island) at Groton, Mass., on the 18th ult. The facts of the case are:—

In a humble white farm cottage, three miles from Groton Centre, and about the same distance from Ayer Junction, resided Joseph Crue and his wife Maria L. Crue, the former 35 years of age and the latter 27. They hired the farm eight months ago, coming to town from Lancaster. They were not well-to-do people, but they were circumspect in all their ways, and, being willing to work, they lived in a moderate way, and were highly regarded by the community.

On Saturday Mr. Crue was at work in the woods, and Mrs. Crue was attending to her household duties. Late in the forenoon a stranger appeared in the neighborhood. He called at the houses of Oliver Pierce and a Mr. Bradley, his ostensible purpose being the purchase of a farm. At 2.30 in the afternoon Henry Heaven called at the house of the Crues and discovered this stranger there, and Mrs. Crue remarked that he was looking for a farm. After some commonplace talk he departed. At 3.10 or thereabouts, Miss Jennie Carr called upon the Crues. She found the door locked and the curtains drawn, and in response to her loud and persistent knocking the strange man came to the door and opened it a few inches. He had his hands behind him and his hat on, and in reply to her inquiry she was told that Mrs. Crue had gone to the village. She thought it a little strange, but concluding it was some proper visitor, turned away.

The next person at the house was the husband. He returned from the woods at about 8 o'clock, and finding the house dark, supposed his wife was at some of the neighbors. He housed the team, and went half a mile to his nearest acquaintance in pursuit of her. He searched some time in the settlement, and not finding her, returned home, and after some difficulty succeeded in entering the house by the cellar bulk-head. Lighting a match in his sitting-room and peering into the darkness the terrible situation was revealed to him. His wife lay upon the floor in the bedroom, covered with a quilt, and dead. Frightened and frantic he rushed from the house and alarmed the people. Augustus Woods was the first man to arrive. He found that an awful murder had indeed been committed. The quilt was removed and a sickening spectacle met his gaze. The woman had been shot in the head, lay in pool of blood and had been outraged. Policeman Charles Woolley and others were quickly on hand and an investigation followed. The victim had evidently been sitting at a table near a window in the sitting room, sewing; her sewing lay upon a large family Bible and upon her finger was a thimble. Upon the floor, concealed by a mat which the villain had placed, was a large pool of blood from which there were streams to the bedroom, showing that after the fatal shots had been fired the body was dragged to the bedroom.

An autopsy revealed that the deceased was shot with 22 calibre bullets. There was a wound in each corner of the eye beside the nose, and one side of the face was burned with powder. The right wound extended into the throat and the ball lodged in the muscles of the neck. The left showed that the ball passed through the medulla oblongata, and lodged in the brain, causing instant death. Another bullet passed through her clothing and spent its force upon the whalebone of her corset, and was found next to the body. The fourth ball pierced the flesh just above the right eye and flattened upon the frontal bone. The woman's hair was neatly done up, and there was no evidence of a struggle, and as she was a woman of powerful strength there doubtless would have been had the first shot failed in its deadly work.

Mrs. Crue was a native of Gardiner, Me. Her neighbors say she was a very religious woman, ordinary intelligence and of an honest, unsuspecting nature, which would have no fear and conceive no wrong of a person calling at her house under the circumstances related. She was a person of splendid physique and more than ordinarily good looking.

Mr. Crue was a native of Prince Edward Island, a hard-working, temperate, honest man. They were a happy couple, eight years married, and had no children. The grief of the husband is extreme. He has the care and sympathy of his townsmen, and hundreds of them have been in and about the place at all hours of the day, and most of them intimated that the murderer would not live for trial by jury if brought back to the town.

London *Mayfair*:—"Great people in Germany seem to be particularly thin skinned. A builder at Salz has been sentenced to two years imprisonment for driving a nail into the eye and mouth of a picture representing his most pious Majesty, Frederick William, Emperor and King! I can now properly believe the rumor that the reason why the heraldic eagle appears on the postage stamps of the Fatherland, it's because the high-well-born Postmaster General held that it would be unbecoming for the sovereign to have his head constantly battered—in effigy."

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FEBRUARY!

1880.

STOCK-TAKING.

WE hereby inform the public of this city, and the Island generally, that previous to Stock-taking, we have resolved to clear out as much of our Winter Stock as possible. We are aware that at this season it is hard to get people to buy even at reduced prices; but in the face of this difficulty we have made up our mind to adopt full measures, and sell our Wool Goods and Dress Goods at a sacrifice.

Our Goods have been very cheap all winter, as the run of trade we have had fully testifies. Our store has become the resort of those Ladies who know how to make a penny go a long way, and who know a cheap article when they see it; and when we say we are going to reduce the prices of our Dress Goods and Trimmings, we know we shall be believed. We are particularly anxious to clear out our present Stock, in order to introduce as much of the newest style of Dress Material as possible, and at the very lowest prices. We shall make special prices on Black Cashmeres, Black Merinos, Black Cords and Lustres, Lustrines and Brilliantines.

Our Fancy Wool Goods will be sold at less than cost. Our Stock of this class was the largest, most select, and finest in the city, and the remains of it will be sold at a great sacrifice.

Blankets, Quilts, Horse Rugs, &c., will be cleared out at great Bargains.

We make no apology to the Tea-drinking public for drawing their attention to our fine flavored and rich Teas, 32, 36, and 40 cents per lb. They are receiving the highest praise, and those who use them, strongly recommend them to others. Our trade in this article is growing rapidly. Tea appeals to the most subtle of the senses, and as the proof of the pudding is in the eating, so the proof of the Tea is in the drinking. Friends, try it.

83, QUEEN STREET,

TREMAINE & METCALF.

Ch'town, Jan. 21, 1880.

MASONIC.

GRAND MASONIC ENTERTAINMENT

—AT THE—

MARKET HALL,

On Monday Evening, February 9th, 1880,

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF KING SOLOMON LODGE, A. F., A. M.,

And Under the Patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor.

The Quintette Club, with the best Vocal and Instrumental talent in the City, will provide the Musical part of this Entertainment, and a rare treat may be expected. Admission 25 cents; reserved seats 35 cents. Tickets to be had at the different Drug Stores in the city and at Bremner Bros. Doors open at 7.30. Chair taken at 8 o'clock. Feb. 3, 1880—pat 2i, h li D. R. McLENNAN, Secretary.

Apples, Herring, Scales, &c.

BY AUCTION, THURSDAY, February 5, at 2 o'clock, at Auction Room, No 11, Queen Street,— 25 bbls. APPLES, American Baldwins, Nova Scotia Russets, Pippins, etc., 10 bbls. HERRING.

—ALSO— 3 Platform SCALES (on wheels), 4 Counter SCALES. All new, and must be sold. A. McNEILL, Auctioneer. No 11 Queen Street, Feb. 3, 1880—2i

Firewood. Firewood.

THE Relief Committee have on hand 30 loads of Kindling and Firewood—cut, ready for use, which they will sell cheap. Application to be made to Jas. Peaks, Esq., L. L. Bear, Treas., or W. D. STEWART, Sec'y of Com Feb. 3, 1880.

NOTICE.

PARTIES having SCHOONERS from 35 to 65 Tons for Sale, may hear of a purchaser by applying to JOHN H. CATHRAE, Ch'town, 2nd Feb., 1880—1w

ZION CHURCH CONCERT.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL in connection with Zion Church will give a Concert and Literary Entertainment, IN THE BASEMENT, —ON— Thursday, the 5th February.

Assisted by the Choir and several musical instruments, we intend this to be one of the most enjoyable entertainments of the season. Admission 15 cents; children 10 cents. Doors open at 7½ o'clock; concert to commence at 8. D. M. FRASER, Musical Director. J. A. LAWSON, Supt. S. School. 6, 1880—2aw wth, pres pat ar

The New Year Has Come,

BUT MANY PERSONS have failed to come and settle their accounts. The subscriber respectfully requests all parties owing him, either by Note of Hand or Book Account, To Settle the Same at Once. J. QUIRK. Jan. 2, 1880—9i eod, h ne 3w

CARNIVAL.

A Calico Carnival WILL BE HELD AT THE Citizens' Skating Rink, WEDNESDAY EVENING, February 4, 1880. Those wishing to take part will oblige by sending their names to the Secretary before the 20th inst. By order of the Directors. W. C. HOBKIRK, Secretary. January 9, 1880—4i taw

LECTURE.

THE VERY REV. DR. McDONALD will deliver a Lecture before the St. PATRICK'S T. A. & B. SOCIETY, in ST. PATRICK'S HALL, —ON— Tuesday Ev'ng Next, 3rd Feb. Subject—Cardinal Pole. Doors open at 7 o'clock; Chair to be taken at 8. Admission 10 cents. RICHARD WALSH, Secretary. Jan. 29, 1880. SUBSCRIBE for the DAILY EXAMINER, the Cheapest and most Newsy Paper published in the Provinces.

THE 'BUDA' FLOUR,

AND OTHER Choice Brands, FOR SALE AT BEER & GOFFS'. Jan. 12, 1880.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE Co-Partnership heretofore carried on by the Subscribers, under the name of Dorsey & Jost, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due by the Firm will be paid by R. K. Jost, to whom all parties indebted to said Firm are requested to make payment—at McGill's old stand, Queen Street. JOHN DORSEY, RICH'D K. JOST. Charlottetown, Jan. 15, 1880—rg ar pat 3i

NOTICE.

I TAKE this opportunity to inform the public that I have leased the new Shop recently fitted up at McGill's Old Stand, on Queen Street, a few doors below the London House; and having bought the Stock and Machinery of the late Firm of Dorsey & Jost, I shall be prepared, in a few days, to carry on the Boot and Shoe business in all its branches. Custom work a specialty—on cash principles. JOHN DORSEY, Ch'town, Jan. 15, 1880—ar pat

Herring. Codfish.

CHEAP FOR CASH,— 50 bbls. Herring, 100 qtls Codfish, 200 bags Salt. D. SMALL, Head Queen's Wharf, opposite I. C. Hall's.

To Fisheries and Factories.

ONE TON AMERICAN MANILLA MAR-LIN (Tarred and White), Cotton Lines, Twines, Leads, Hooks, Bait Mills, Fishing Anchors, Cotton Ducks (light and heavy), 100 coils Manila Rope, Hemp Rope, Wire Rope, Paints, Oils, Tar, Oakum, Ships Chandlery, Sail Making, Light Ducks for Boats' Sails. D. SMALL. Jan. 21, 1880—tf

S. S. "NORTHERN LIGHT,"

WILL MAKE DAILY TRIPS between Georgetown and Pictou, until further notice, (Sundays excepted) leaving Georgetown at 6 a. m., and Pictou at 1.40 p. m., weather permitting. WM. MITCHELL, Agent o Dep't. Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1879.

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